

INSTITUTE OVER

Department of Domestic Science Created With Mrs. F. J. Sedgwick as President.

STATE DELEGATES NAMED.

Papers Read on Fruit Culture, Poultry and Corn Judging.

At the close of the program of the Farmers' Institute Thursday afternoon there was an election of officers. Those elected were: President, W. H. Bean; vice president, J. P. Mulhead; secretary, J. B. Burrows; assistant secretary, J. E. Rucker; treasurer, Mr. Scott. Three delegates were elected to the state convention, John Walker, Mr. Hurlburt and Mr. Rucker.

Domestic Science.

The department of domestic science was created and officers elected. Those elected were: President, Mrs. Sedgwick; vice president, Miss Ollie Scott; secretary, Mrs. Whitsett; treasurer, Mrs. Wright Allen. The delegates to the state convention at Bloomington are Miss Ida Mills and Miss Ollie Scott.

The committee on resolutions drew up an express on of thanks to all those who have aided in the entertainment of the crowds.

Closing Exercises.

The following program was given at the farmers' institute yesterday afternoon: Recitation, Miss Sims; music, pupils of Decatur schools, led by Miss Clark; "Science of Corn Judging," Charles Rowe, Jacksonville; physical culture drill, pupils of Mrs. Jeannette L. Tyler; music, Van Hall orchestra; "Fruit Culture," E. R. Hurlburt.

Corn Judging.

Mr. Rowe in his talk on corn judging said there were two things to be taken into consideration in judging corn. First, from the standpoint of feeding qualities and second, its ready sale on the market. There are many things that may not be objectionable to the corn for feed while it would not have a ready sale on the market. The method in scoring corn is as follows:

Uniformity, 10 points; shape, 5; color, 10; market condition, 10; tips, 10; butts, 5; kernel uniformity, 5; kernel shape, 5; length of ear, 10; circumference of ear, 5; space between rows of grains, next to cob, 5; space between rows of grains at tip, 5; proportion of corn to cob, 15. As to uniformity in corn it shows a distinct breed the same as in stock. The shape must be so that the ear has about the same thickness the entire length, does not taper to a point.

A few grains of different color from the rest of the grains on the ear will throw that ear out of the lot as it shows a mixed breed. The idea is to get as much shelled corn on the cob as possible in reference to the butts. The kernel must be of wedge shape, but not coming to a point. There should be no unshelled space between the rows on the ear. The length in judging corn has been fixed at from ten to eleven inches. The circumference of the cob at seven and one-half inches. The over-large ears will not reproduce themselves so well as medium sized ears.

Fruit Culture.

Mr. Hurlburt in his talk on "Fruit Culture," said "The subject of fruit culture is one that has been under discussion for many years. The selection of the best varieties to plant, the correct method of planting, the proper time and manner of pruning, and the suitable cultivation of young trees after planting are the principal attributes of the basis of many successful publications and income discussions. The theoretical or scientific study of plants has not been instrumental in the method of successful fruit growing.

The experiment stations have done much, as has also scientific research, that denote great progress, and are of great value, but it is the technical and scientific terms and discussions of the subject that make them valueless. The farmer does not understand them. These things lead the farmer to think that too much study and knowledge is required to be successful in fruit raising, while it is extremely simple.

It is as easy to raise fruit in Illinois as it is to raise corn, wheat or oats. And far more remunerative than either of these crops. It takes determination and persistence to be successful in the fruit industry. There are several things to be observed. First, the right kind of varieties must be secured. Second, they must be cultivated correctly. And third, must be pruned rightly. There are but few people that realize the importance and convenience of fruit, and but few people in Macon county have sufficient fruit on their farms to supply a good sized family. The soil of Macon county will grow almost all kinds of fruit, and it is only negligence that so little of it is raised.

Mr. Hurlburt gave the different varieties that are the best for this part of the country. In apples, Early Harvest, Red June, Rambo, Jonathan, Grimes Golden, Ben Davis, Wino Sap, Willow Twig, and the Snow apple are best. Mr. Hurlburt gave a list of all kinds of fruit and the varieties best adapted to this part of the country.

On Poultry.

Mrs. R. A. Judy read a paper on "Poultry," a subject with which she is perfectly conversant by reason of her long experience. She gave some valuable suggestions and advice about the care of chickens.

PRIZE WINNERS

List of Awards Made by the Judges Yesterday.

Thursday, the judges of the exhibits

at the institute, made the following awards:

Corn.

Bushel corn, any variety (Institute)—First, J. F. Mulhead, Harristown; second, J. W. Parlier, Emery; third, J. B. Camp, Harristown.

Yellow corn. (Institute)—First, R. Mulhead, Harristown; second, Albert Hill, Casner; third, E. W. Allen, Harristown.

White corn (Institute)—First, W. D. Moffett, Boody; second, Albert Hill, Casner; third, S. J. Hanks, Emery.

Heaviest white corn (Institute)—First, W. A. Parlier, Decatur, R. R. No. 1.

Forty-eight ear yellow corn (Institute)—First, J. F. Mulhead, Harristown; second, I. H. Bishop, Decatur.

Forty-eight ears white (Institute)—First, W. D. Moffett, Boody.

Twelve ears shell corn (Institute)—First, W. D. Moffett, Boody; second, J. F. Mulhead, Harristown; third, Frank Gregory, Oulten.

Wheat.

One peck of red wheat (Institute)—First, E. S. Dillehunt, Decatur; second, J. W. Parlier, Emery.

Oats.

One peck white oats (Institute)—First, James Hockaday, Emery; second, S. J. Hanks, Emery.

One peck of mixed oats (Institute)—First, J. F. Watkins, Decatur, R. R. No. 1.

Clover and Timothy.

Two quarts clover seed (Institute)—First, John Rucker, Decatur, R. R. No. 5.

Two quarts timothy seed (Institute)—First, John E. Rucker, Decatur, R. R. No. 5.

Potatoes.

One peck of early potatoes (Institute)—First, Elmer Schaniel, Decatur, R. R. No. 1; second, G. E. Cotter, Boody, R. R. No. 1; third, David Patterson, Forsyth.

Six apples (Institute)—First, G. F. Cotter, Boody, R. R. No. 1; second, J. A. Thomas, Decatur, R. R. No. 5.

One pound of honey (Institute)—First, Francis Knapp, Blue Mound; second, G. A. Thomas, Decatur, R. R. No. 5; third, J. M. Hutchinson, Decatur.

Popcorn.

Twelve ears popcorn (Institute)—First, E. S. Dillehunt, Decatur; second, Thomas E. Dillehunt, Decatur; third, G. L. Jones, Emery.

One peck popcorn (Institute)—First, Ed. Dillehunt, Decatur.

Onions.

One peck onions (Institute)—First, William Hooper, Decatur; second, J. M. Hutchinson, Decatur; third, J. M. Hutchinson, Decatur.

Bread.

Loaf bread—First, Mrs. George Auer, 804 North Pine street; second, Mrs. Hopper, Decatur; third, Mrs. M. N. Wornick, 425 West Wood street.

Cake.

Spice cake—First, Mrs. E. D. Camp, Decatur, R. R. No. 5.

Sponge cake—First, Martha Albert, Decatur; second, W. F. Taggart, Decatur; third, T. F. Talbot, Harristown.

Nut cake—First, Mrs. W. D. Moffett, Boody.

Butter.

One pound butter—First, Mrs. Henry Lichtenberger, Decatur, R. R. No. 5; second, Mrs. Ruth DeLong, Long Creek; third, Mrs. John C. Rainey, Decatur, R. R. No. 1.

Fruit.

Can peaches—First, Mrs. C. Baldridge, 825 West Decatur street; second, J. M. Hutchinson, Decatur.

Can pears—First, Mrs. Henry Lichtenberger, Decatur, R. R. No. 5; second, Mrs. J. W. Walker, Sangamon; third, Mrs. M. Clark, 317 West Eldorado street.

Gonshberries—First, Miss Laura A. Phillips, Decatur, R. R. No. 6; second, Mrs. M. Clark, 317 West Eldorado street.

Blackberries—First, Mrs. John E. Rucker, Decatur, R. R. No. 5; second, Mrs. J. W. Walker, Sangamon; third, Mrs. E. D. Camp, Decatur, R. R. No. 5.

Currants—First, Mrs. Henry Lichtenberger, Decatur, R. R. No. 5.

Cherries—First, Mrs. J. W. Walker, Sangamon; second, Mrs. M. Clark, 317 West Eldorado street.

Apricots—First, Miss Eldorotte Van Allen, Decatur, R. R. No. 5.

Apples—First, Mrs. Fannie Mulhead, Harristown.

Special Prizes.

Cocunut cake (Augustine)—First, Mrs. Chas. Baldridge, Decatur.

Three loaves of bread (Barbey & Cooper)—First, Mrs. M. N. Wornick, 125 West Wood street; second, Mrs. Glor, 412 South Main street.

Chocolate cake (Barbey & Cooper)—First, W. F. Taggart, Decatur.

Bushel mixed oats (Barnett and Arcene)—First, J. F. Watkins, Decatur, R. R. No. 1.

Two quarts peaches (Bohon)—First, Mrs. O. M. Scott, Mt. Zion.

Marble cake (Curtis)—First, Mrs. J. B. Camp, Harristown.

Three loaves of bread (Decatur Milling company)—First, Mrs. T. H. McArthur, 717 West North street; second, Mrs. Glor, 412 South Main street.

Pound cake (Decatur Milling company)—First, W. F. Taggart, Decatur.

Fruit cake (Decatur National bank)—First, Mrs. S. A. Kellington, 706 West Mason street.

Angel food cake (Folath)—First, Miss Alice Strope, Orona.

Coffee cake (Great Eastern Tea company)—First, Mrs. Elsie Davis, Decatur, R. R. No. 5.

Caramel cake (Gushard)—First, Mrs. Lila Talbot, Harristown.

Largest ear corn (Hall)—First, Albert Hill, Casner.

Twenty ears silver mine corn (Hupp)—First, W. D. Moffett, Boody.

Twenty-five ear white corn (Hughes & Williams)—First, Frank Gregory, Oulten; second, Albert Hill, Casner.

Bushel corn, any variety (Institute)—First, J. F. Mulhead, Harristown; second, J. W. Parlier, Emery; third, J. B. Camp, Harristown.

One peck clover seed (Leon & Morris)—First, G. F. Florry, Casner.

Pineapple cake (Leforgue)—First, Mrs. Ellett Smith, Decatur.

Three varieties apples (Review)—First, S. J. Hanks, Emery; second, G. F. Cotter, R. R. No. 1, Boody.

Bushel white corn (Suffern, Hunt & Co.)—First, S. J. Hanks, Emery; second, Francis Knapp, Blue Mound.

Bushel white oats (Starr)—First, James Hockaday, Maroa, R. R. No. 3; second, C. J. Hanks, Emery.

Nut cake (Linn & Scruggs)—First, Mrs. J. B. Camp, Harristown.

Twenty ears farmers' interest corn (Mahan)—First, Albert Hill, Casner.

Minnehaha cake (Millikin bank)—First, Ella Knapp, Blue Mound.

Four pounds uncolored butter (Morehouse & Wells)—First, Mrs. Ellett Smith.

Bushel early potatoes (O-enhelmer)—First, J. M. Logan, Decatur, rural route, No. 5; second, W. D. Moffett, Boody.

Twenty ears Learning corn (Pahmeyer)—E. W. Allen, Harristown.

Chocolate cake (Post)—Mrs. Martha Camp, Harristown.

Ried's Yellow Dent corn (Quinn & Seeforth)—Albert Hill, Casner.

Twenty ears corn, any variety (Race)—J. F. Mulhead, Harristown.

Twenty ears yellow corn (Ryan)—G. L. Jones, Emery.

Pound cake (Stovill)—Mrs. Martha Camp, Harristown.

Three loaves bread baked by colored woman (Mrs. Sedgwick)—Ida Merrill, Decatur.

Bushel white oats (Starr)—First, James Hockaday, Maroa, R. R. No. 3; second, S. J. Hanks, Emery.

Three loaves bread (Shellbarger)—First, Mrs. W. B. Burke, Decatur; second, Mrs. Frazier, 845 East Prairie street.

Three loaves bread, girl under 17 (Shellbarger)—First, Mamma Barnhart, 360 East Decatur street; second, Edith A. Birks, Decatur, R. R. No. 3.

Spice cake (Stewart)—Mrs. Elwood McKinley, Forsyth.

Bushel white corn (Suffern, Hunt & Co. and American Hominy Co.)—First, S. J. Hanks, Emery; second, Francis Knapp, Blue Mound.

Twenty-five ears yellow corn (Tearney & Slikking and Gebhart)—First, Albert Hill, Casner; second, J. M. Hutchinson, Decatur.

Twenty ears Boone county white corn (Wiegand)—W. D. Moffett, Boody.

Twenty ears white corn (Cheap Charley)—First, Albert Hill, Casner; second, J. W. Parlier, Emery.

Can Plums (Arcade)—First, Mrs. J. W. Walker, Sangamon.

Boys' display of popcorn (Stine)—First, W. T. Shenck, Maroa.

Can of pears (Mt. Zion Nursery Co.)—First, Mrs. O. M. Scott, Mt. Zion; second, Mrs. J. W. Walker, Sangamon.

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Deeds Recorded.

John W. Roberts to J. P. Paris, part of the west half of the southwest quarter of 25, 16, 1 east—\$150.

E. F. Turner to John Roberts 10 acres in the west half of the southwest quarter of the northwest quarter of 25, 16, 1 east—\$100.

Joseph Blair to W. W. Day, the east half of the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter in 19 and the west half of the northwest quarter of the northwest quarter of 20, 16, 3 east—\$2600.

G. C. Wagner to J. W. Shanklin lot 13 in block 1 in Montgomery & Shull's first addition to Decatur—\$690.

J. L. Robertson to C. R. Scroggins 11 acres in the west half of the northwest quarter of 32, 16, 1 east—\$65.

Bertha J. Kuny to Adelaide L. Humble a part of lot 5 in block 2 in the reserve of block 2 in Western addition to Decatur—\$690.

Josiah Flora to Wm. M. Derr 30 acres in the northeast quarter of the northwest quarter and the east half of the southeast quarter of the northwest quarter of 16, 16 1 east—\$6350.

A BROAD ARGUMENT.

Man of Impartial Mind Who Gets Facts and Then Forms Opinion.

The Hon. Carroll D. Wright, United States commissioner of labor, whom President Roosevelt selected as recorder of the commission to adjudicate the issues of the coal strike, enjoys an enviable reputation not only as a statistician, but as a man who invariably investigates both sides of a question before reaching an opinion.

A story is told in Washington which well illustrates his impartial habit of mind. A politician, it is said, once asked Mr. Wright if he did not think there was much to be said in favor of a certain measure which he opposed.

Mr. Wright replied that there usually is a good deal to be said on both sides of every question. "Let me illustrate by a little story," he continued.

"The president of a small Western railway once wrote to the president of one of the large Eastern systems enclosing an annual pass over his little road and begging an exchange of courtesy.

"The small Western railroad in question boasts of a total trackage, including sidings and terminals, of less than thirty miles.

"In reply to its president's request for a pass over the big Eastern line, the president of the latter road wrote that he regretted his inability to grant free transportation over 3,000 miles of railway in exchange for an annual pass over a road whose total length did not exceed the distance a man could walk in a day.

"I will admit," retorted the unabashed Western president, "that my road is not so long as yours, but I would call your attention to the fact that it is just as broad."—Sunday Evening Post.

Municipal Socialism.

"Municipal socialism" has developed to a remarkable extent in Great Britain in the last twenty years. A London dispatch states that the system is soon to be made the subject of a comprehensive and searching investigation by a committee of the British parliament. Glasgow, Liverpool, Manchester, and Birmingham have taken the lead in the municipal movement. It is alleged by opponents that it paralyzes individual initiative; that it is more expensive and less efficient than the system of private ownership, and that it is detrimental to the interests of taxpayers and capitalists.

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CONARD HAS LOST

The Record Shows That He Has No Claim Upon the Office of Sheriff.

THRIFT'S PLURALITY NEAR 100.

General Belief Is That the Case Will Be Dropped.

Thursday the commissioners appointed to recount the ballots in the contested election case completed their work and announced the result. It was of the same effect as foretold in the Herald several times. Instead of Conard making gains, as was declared in the petition upon which the recount was based, C. A. Thrift, the incumbent, made considerable gain and while the end has not been formally reached, the situation is such that there is now no possibility of unseating Thrift for Conard.

If all of the challenges made in behalf of Conard are allowed Thrift would still be to the good by a plurality of thirty. The count upon which there is no dispute for the two contestants is as follows:

Thrift's plurality..... 84
There are ninety-six challenged votes which are not considered in the figures above. Of this number there were 54 challenges in behalf of Conard and 42 in behalf of Thrift. If all of the ballots which Conard's attorneys claim for him were allowed Thrift would still have a plurality of thirty.

The commissioners will have a meeting this forenoon and confer to see how many of the disputed ballots may be decided without taking them before Judge Smith, who will be the final arbiter in the matter.

Last night the assertion was frequently made that the case was now at an end because if all that Conard's attorneys contend for is admitted he could not be elected. It would not be surprising if as a result of the conference today the case would be dropped.

The official count of the returns last November gave Conard a total of 4,113 and Thrift 4,132.

There was a statement current last night that in one precinct the commissioners had found an error of as much as fifteen in favor of Thrift. The commissioners denied that statement. It is said that in no precinct was there found an error of more than six.

The commissioners did find, however, that there are evidently not a few men who are either careless in the marking of their ballots or they fail to understand the rules in that regard.

TWO CLASSES IN CONGRESS.

Correspondent Writes of New Members and Has-Beens.

Besides the new and promising members of congress there is also another class and that is the "has-beens." Of the latter class I know of no more prominent "has-beens" than Speaker Henderson of the house and McLaughlin and Mason of the senate. Of course there are many more but I mention these because they are well known by reputation to most everyone.

Henderson at one time ruled the house and practically governed the policy of the republican members of the house. Now he has little influence and his friends are rapidly deserting him and are carrying favor with the next speaker. Mr. Henderson can not but feel and see that he is down and out and now knows the taste of the pill of public gratitude. Last year no member of a committee would have dared show any ill feeling toward Speaker Henderson but this year all is different and a prominent member of the republican side of the house refuses to speak to Mr. Henderson because of some personal matter. Poor Mr. Henderson is very deaf, however, and does not yet know that the republican member is mad at him and he continues to speak as heretofore, ever inquiring after the health of the party mentioned and little dreaming that his inquiries and his "good mornings" pass unanswered.

McLaughlin might be called "a pretty thing and a joy forever." He was educated in a military school but that is not hard to guess for his erect carriage and square shoulders have a military look. No one seems so universally disliked as McLaughlin and I have never seen him walking arm in arm with another senator as one sees other members doing. He walks by himself, swinging a small, silver trimmed walking stick that looks like it was made for a society dandy. He wears a black slouch hat with a wide turned up brim and his reddish-brown hair is very curly. He is what many women would call a "pretty man" and he knows it. His mustache is always twisted, waxed and curled at the ends and it seems to be a habit with McLaughlin to stand and twist this braute ornament on his upper lip. Representative Latimer of South Carolina, who is to take McLaughlin's place in the senate on the fourth of next March, is a great big, red-faced lawyer, who has all the earmarks of a man raised on a farm, a man who can be depended upon and a man who will fill the office with credit.

An Accessory.

David Parr entered a plea yesterday as accessory to petit larceny, being concerned in the theft of a bicycle several months ago. Judge Smith fined him \$10 and costs.

NEARBY TOWNS

J. W. Kile and wife are visiting in Ivesdale.

Mrs. Wm. Beadleston returned Monday evening from a two weeks' visit in Missouri.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Cripe of Cerro Gordo visited Mrs. Cripe's sister, Mrs. Harve Hilbrant, a few days this week. Several from here went to St. Louis to attend the opera of Ben Hur.

A Goldman who has been here for a few weeks left Friday night to take a position in Kansas City, Kan.

The Swiss Bell Ringers gave an entertainment in the Armstrong Hall Monday evening. They left Tuesday morning for Cicero where they were to repeat their entertainment Tuesday night.

Dr. Horace Reed of Decatur came out Monday evening. He will assist Rev. Pierce in his revival services at Epworth Chapel for a few days.

A small blaze Tuesday morning called out the fire department for the first time since they have been in their new quarters. The fire was at the home of Mr. Helmholt and caught from a defective stove.

School opened Monday morning after being closed two weeks on account of the small pox. All cases seem to be under control.

Mr. Timmons and family have taken possession of the "Kentucky House." He will give it a thorough renovating and expects to keep a first class boarding house.

Rev. Edgar attended the dedication services of the new Methodist church at Mattoon last Sunday.

It is most likely that all the public church services will be held as usual in Ivesdale next Sunday.

The last number of the lecture course will be given on Friday night. It will be an illustrated lecture of European scenes.

The 12 year old son of Henry Baker who lives on O. T. Atchison's farm who accidentally shot himself last week while out hunting, died on Tuesday evening of this week. The bullet could not be found and lockjaw set in. The family has the sympathy of the entire community.

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Weldon.

Silas Hand from Champaign came to Weldon Saturday. He is working for a nursery.

Cicero Twist, an old and respected citizen, died at the home of his daughter, two miles west of here Saturday.

Mr. Perry from Herk County came Saturday for visit with the Hutchinson family northeast of town.

Miss Gertie Danison and little sister from Clinton, visited her grandparents Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Baker returned home from Paris, Ill. Tuesday.

Levi Creekmur has taken possession of the lively barn on the north side.

Hon. Carl Swigart returned to Springfield Monday. Mr. Swigart will erect a fine residence in Clinton this spring.

Geo. Huffman ran a nail in his hand last Saturday and for awhile it was a hot blooded person would say Dr. Myers from Clinton was called and he is much better at this writing.

Ellis Reddick is very sick with lung fever. His father was called from Clinton Sunday night.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Eli Meredith died last Wednesday.

THE VILLIAN WAS FOILED

Woman Who Had Been His Victim For Six Years Married Another Man Thursday.

Wednesday night a woman giving her name as Mrs. L. Calaway told a strange story to Chief of Police Sullivan. The recital came about in her effort to secure the release of John C. Johnson, who had been arrested at the Washburn station by Patrolman Dunnigan on the charge of drunkenness.

When the woman had finished her story she went to the Short street station and borrowed \$12.50 from Johnson to pay for her bed and breakfast. Thursday morning when he had sobbed up the pair secured a marriage license and were married.

MODERN MACCABEES.

Lodge Organized with Harry Ruthrauff as Commander. Lincoln tent of the Modern Maccabees was organized in Celestial hall on East Main street last night by State Deputy W. G. Davey of Michigan with sixty charter members. The following officers were elected: Commander—Harry Ruthrauff. Lieutenant Commander—L. H. Sullivan. Record Keeper—Budd Morey. Finance Keeper—H. L. Schall. Physicians—Dr. W. C. Wood and Dr. A. P. Wilhelm. Chaplain—John E. Harrison. Sergeant—F. L. Purkison. Master-at-Arms—John Boone. First Master of the Guard—W. O. Kizer. Second Master of the Guard—Ed. J. Blenz. Sentinel—F. O. Zetterlind. Picket—D. W. Hoover. Following the signing of the charter there was a social time and the "Oriental Degree", which is a side degree of the order was conferred. H. L. Schall was present with his phonograph and there was an abundance of cigars.

MADE EXPENSES.

The Annual Institute is Regarded as a Signal Success.

The exhibits at the Farmers' Institute realized \$101 and that will be sufficient to pay expenses. Everything sold higher than ever before. Some of the cures exhibited brought as much as \$2.75 each. Corn sold as high as \$3.25 per bushel. I. R. Mills was the highest single purchaser of corn which he will use for seed. He gave \$1.10 for twenty ears of prize grain. The managers say that the institute is regarded as successful one in spite of the fact that the weather conditions reduced the extent of exhibits to a large degree.

Notice of Removal.

The clerk's office of Easterly camp, No. 1628 Modern Woodmen of America, will be removed on February 15th, 1903, from present location at James H. Hall's clothing store, No. 159 East Main street, to the Hutchins & Hardy shoe store, No. 139 North Water street. C. M. Schneider, Clerk.

See the new accident policy of the Travelers of Hartford. It is the greatest. C. W. Montgomery & Co., Agts., 121 E. William. Ground floor.

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PERSONALS.

Miss Mae Hofferkamp of Springfield is visiting Mrs. William Scully on East North street.

Miss Cordelia Wilson and Miss Cora Downing are spending a few days with friends in La Place.

Mrs. J. D. Morris and Mrs. H. E. Amaden of Clinton, Ill., left for the south Thursday for a three or four month trip, which will include points of interest in "Dixie."

L. Sachs and son, Moe, of Jonesboro, Ark., are in the city visiting for a few days. Mr. Sachs recently purchased the Brunswick hotel and says that he will rent it as before.

Miss Bertha Bauman of Warrensburg was in the city Thursday, the guest of Miss Lucile Loring.

W. H. Jennings went to Cerro Gordo Thursday on business.

Miss Ella Blalock of Mt. Zion is in the city visiting friends for a few days.

Miss Kate Martin of Hervey City is visiting friends in Macon.

M. Levin returned yesterday from Adrian, Mich., where he purchased the entire stock of the Fair department store. It will be shipped here.

High School News.

There will be a meeting of the Forum at 2:30 this afternoon. The literary contest with the Agora will be acted upon and a committee appointed to make the arrangements. There will also be an election of officers. The meeting will be held this afternoon so that the members can attend the basket ball game tonight.

Tennison Day.

Thursday was Tennison day at the Agora. At the regular time the girls met in the assembly room and listened to the following program.

Piano Solo—Ada Diller. Alfred Tennison's Works—Elizabeth Kirk.

The Brook, Tennison—Lucille Bragg. Crossing the Bar—Constance Lee. Life of Tennison—Mabel Brightbill.

Several matters were adjusted in the business meeting. First a committee of three, Mabel Fletcher, chairman, Nellie Conard and Gertrude Mills, was appointed to order pins for the new members. Mabel Fletcher resigned as chairman of the program committee and Edna McClelland takes her place. Elizabeth Kirk resigned as press reporter and Mabel Thorn takes her place. The new members are Goldie Perry, Irene Leiby and Mabel Ginchich. There will be a debate every month.

SOCIAIY SPEAKING.

A pleasant surprise party was given Miss Anna Schille at her home at 925 West Wood street last night. It was in honor of her birthday and was planned by her friends. The evening was spent in games and music. Refreshments were served. About twenty-five guests were present. Miss Clara Arnold of Mt. Olive was the only out-of-town guest.

The Misses Mueller, 1051 North Union, entertained about twelve guests last night. The evening was spent in cars and dancing. Refreshments were served.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Curry entertained a company of their friends at their home on Wednesday evening. There were games, music and refreshments. The company included Mr. and Mrs. Charles Theobald, Mr. and Mrs. Ben Perkins, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Bradley, Mr. and Mrs. John Burks and children, Rodney and Beatrice, Misses Mabel and Esther, Rush, Nora, Riley, Francis and Amelia Kueffele, Lulu Archer, Marguerite Davis, William Long, Theodore Fowler, Shaffer Kline, William Sadders and Charles Cavanaugh.

A Curious Find.

Curious was the find made in Sharon, Conn., by a couple of youths while hunting. They discovered an old tree, into the hollow of which an altar had been built by cementing in flat stones at from ten to twelve feet from the ground and piling others at the base up to a height of some three feet. A tablet was fastened in the back of the hollow, about six feet from the foot, which bore in Greek the inscription which St. Paul saw on the altar in Athens, "To the Unknown God." This use of a Biblical quotation was evidently made in a spirit of mockery. The altar is supposed to have been erected by an irreligious sect or society which flourished in Sharon in the early days of the last century, and to have been the seat of their atheistic orgies and revels. The altar has since been defaced by some curiosity hunters carrying off the tablet, but luckily a photograph of it had been taken before this vandalism was committed.—New York Tribune.

Births.

Preston—Born, to Mr. and Mrs. William Preston, 1247 North Calhoun street February 4th, a son.

When you feel blue and that everything goes wrong, take a dose of Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They will cleanse and invigorate your stomach, regulate your bowels, give you a relish for your food and make you feel that in this old world is a good place to live. For sale by all druggists.

EVENING AT THE ELKS' ROOM.

Musical Culture Club Render Program And Dance Follows.

The Musical Culture club which has for some time enjoyed the privilege of holding their meetings in the handsome club rooms of the Elks, through the courtesy of the directory and members of that organization, last night gave a musicale for their hosts at the Elks' hall. The Elks were not to be outdone and they arranged for a dance after the musical program.

The members of both societies were privileged to invite a friend and there was a large attendance and a delightful evening.

The musical program lasted until about ten o'clock and was about as follows:

Rhapsody II., Liszt—Miss Bunn, Montgomery, O'Donald and Blackstone. Selected—Miss Hubbard.

Overture to Rienzi, Wagner—Misses Clark, Lutz and Hamsher and Mrs. Starr.

Cradle Song, Decevee—Misses Hubbard and Scruggs and Mrs. Hostetter. Selected—Miss Gere of Champaign. Improvisation, Edouard Schutt.

—Misses Bunn and O'Donald. (a) Elaine, Homer N. Bartlett. (b) Gondolier's Song, C. Whitney Coombs—Miss Hubbard.

(a) Morning Is Nigh, Johann Strauss (b) Sweet and Low, Joseph Barnby—Chorus.

Hungarian Dances, I, II, III, IV, V. Brahms—Misses Bunn, Montgomery, O'Donald and Blackstone.

The numbers were excellent. Miss Hubbard especially, was at her best and sang beautifully. The piano numbers also were warmly applauded. Miss Gere who delighted the members of the Woman's club in the afternoon was present and consented to give an extra number for the company. Miss Gere has a wonderfully trained voice of beautiful clearness and wide range which she uses with true artistic taste.

Following the musicale dancing was enjoyed in the ball room until midnight. The opera house orchestra furnished the music. A frappe bowl was stationed in the dancing room and a buffet lunch was served during the evening.

WHERE TRAMPS ARE FEW.

They Keep Out of the Ozark Mountain Region.

"Speaking of tramps, I know of one place in the United States where this interesting and erratic member of society is looked upon as a luxury," said a visitor at one of the hotels, "and instead of meeting with kicks and cuffs, and being hustled around by the police he is always welcomed. The place I have in mind is out in the extreme northwestern part of Arkansas, in the Ozark mountains. Few tramps ever get into that region of the world. You see, there is but one railroad running through that part of the country. Tramps, as you no doubt know, follow the railroads. But the Frisco system, which runs through the section of the Ozarks I have in mind, does not stop regularly at the various points along the route, and, besides the small commercial centers are some distance apart. This is one reason for the scarcity of tramps out there. The extreme cold is another reason. If a tramp should happen to be thrown off in the mountains between stations he would likely freeze and starve before he could get within hallooing distance of a human being. Conditions of this sort have tended to keep the migratory element of the country's population out of the Ozarks, and hence out there the tramp is looked upon as a sort of luxury. The few tramps who are bold enough to venture into that section strike a perfect paradise for the winter, if they happen to land in one of the centers of population. By doing some of the lighter work around the house he will be fed like a prince for several months, and will wind up with a suit of clothes, and if he succeeds in winning the good will of the family he is with he will be cordially invited to return the next winter. There are no negroes out there. Servants are very scarce. In the summer servants are not needed. But when the mountains are wrapped in snow and ice the families begin to look around for help, for some person to split kindling and bring in wood, and do other little things of the kind. They watch for the coming of the hobo, and out there his footfall is always a welcome sound."—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

All Angels' Choir.

The choir of the All Angels' church is now under the direction of the Rev. G. Taylor Griffith, who is assisted by Mr. Walter P. Shade, as organist. A number of Decatur's most competent vocalists are taking turns in rendering their valuable and much appreciated services, as soloists at the Sunday Vespers, which service is at 4 o'clock. Miss Lillian King has kindly consented to take the solo work next Sunday afternoon.

Court of Honor—Meeting this evening at 7:30 in K. of P. hall, Powers block. Initiation.

The ladies of the North Main M. E. church will serve dinner and supper Friday at the home of J. D. Johnson, 1204 North Main street.

The best physic, "Once tried and you will always use Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets," says William A. Girard, Pease, Vt. These Tablets are the most prompt, most pleasant and most reliable cathartic in use. For sale by all druggists.

Don't kill the love of a devoted woman by so-called innocent flirtations.

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10 Bars For 10c

We want to make Friday and Saturday the two largest sales days we have ever known in the month of February. We are offering specials in all departments. Your money refunded if every price in our store during this sale does not enable you to accomplish a saving; and as a further inducement to accomplish our purpose we will give to every customer buying \$2 or over these two days in our store a ticket which will entitle the holder to 10 bars of Fairbank's Mascot Laundry soap (regular price 5c a bar); in our bargain basement.

50c worth of Laundry soap for 10c

From 8 till 10 a. m.

Friday and Saturday morning to start early trading we offer 2,000 yards of standard 5c calicoes, all colors, a yard 2c

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1,500 yards of regular 5c Apron Gingham, nice blue and white and brown and white and staple checks, a yard 3c

5c a Yard

2,000 yards of genuine Amoskeag Dress Gingham pinks and light blue stripes, and checks—ginghams worth 7 1-2c to 10c; see them in our window. Friday and Saturday for the last time a yard 5c

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2,000 yards of Hope, Hill and Forest mills Muslin, a yard wide, an elegant quality, free from starch or dressing, worth 8 1-2c a yard; Friday and Saturday a yard 6c

10c a Yard

2,000 yards of black Mercerized Satines, also colored Mercerized Satines, regular price 15c to 20c a yard; Friday and Saturday a yard 10c

10c a Yard

1,500 yards of fine plain India Linen, regular price 18c a yard; Friday and Saturday a yard 10c

"IT'S ONLY A BITE AND A SIP,"

but it's a dainty luncheon. Armour's demonstrator is making an exhibition in our store, and Friday and Saturday we will serve "FREE" a Teas, Bouillions, Soups, also give you many new culinary hints on the preparation and serving of emergency meals, luncheons, dinners, etc., etc. You are cordially invited to attend.

The Stewart Progressive Dry Goods Company.

THE SCIENCE OF GIVING.

The Giving of Money is Not Necessarily Beneficial.

A woman of wealth who has devoted her life and power to philanthropic work thus speaks of the uses and obligations of wealth:

"There is one obligation upon all persons rich or poor. Spending money is only one way of meeting our obligations. I have known many consecrated men and women, almost penitents, who carried on a great work for the Master, and they accomplished more real good than those whose labor ended with the distribution of wealth. 'It is not enough that we should distribute alms.' We should be careful to see that our gifts reach the proper persons and are not placed where they will accomplish more harm than good. Many well-meaning people expend their money where it really isn't needed, while they ignore the urgent cases which they might discover before their very eyes. They are not true to their obligations. They are not commanded to distribute money, but to do good to others, and their possession of wealth should enable them to do good largely. 'If isn't right that we should give to unknown charities without investigation, and yet to investigate will require many hours, perhaps.' There was one truth that was forgotten by this noble woman, one that all money-givers have not learned—the truth that no one mind can decide as to what is the proper method of using money of charity. Only science can turn benevolence into beneficence. Most of the money now given according to one's misguided feelings is surely destined to become a source of evil. Much of the rest, while not harmful, is not a benefit to humanity. There is no way in which wealth could be used with such advantage as in endowing a permanent commission of independent and scientific-minded men whose sole function it should be to advise the benevolent for what purposes the gift of money would do the most good to the world. Some of the great endowments of vast sums were only saved from absolute failure and loss by the wise and quiet influence of moneyless men.—American Medicine

Reduced Rates

Under this heading will always be found announcements of reduced rates to various points offered by the Wabash road. By looking over the headings each day you can see at a glance if you are interested and may often save money at the cost of a little time.

Follow the Flag

Special Rates.

Mardi Gras Festivities at New Orleans, Mobile and Pensacola. Rates, one fare for round trip. Dates of sale Feb. 17 to 22. Return limit Feb. 28th. On payment of 50c at destination limit can be extended until March 1st, 1903.

Special one way, Second Class Colonist rates to Pacific coast points; on sale daily from Feb. 15th to April 30th, 1903. Rates to California points, \$1.45; to Northwest points at similar low rates. Very low one way colonist rates to points in south and southeast, west or southwest, north and northwest, on first and third Tuesdays of each month until May, 1903.

Home-seekers' round trip tickets to points in the west, south and southwest on the first and third Tuesdays of each month at one fare plus \$3 for the round trip. Tickets good returning 21 days. California tourist tickets, good returning in nine months, with liberal stop-over privileges in each direction, on sale daily.

On Sunday you can secure a ticket to many points at greatly reduced rates. You can go to Danville and return for \$2.21, to Springfield \$1.15, to Jacksonville \$2.15, to St. Louis \$3.55. The St. Louis tickets are also sold for Saturday afternoon trains and are good to return up to and including half rates. Half saved in every case, other points are sold at proportionately low rates.

The St. Louis tickets are also sold for Saturday 11:27 a m train and afternoon trains. S. A. Hess, passenger and ticket agent, Decatur, Ill., will be glad to have you call at the Decatur office of the Wabash railroad, or your letter addressed to him will receive careful consideration and attention. Advertising matter on the above subjects now at the ticket office for distribution or will be mailed to your address on application. Old Phone Main 7.

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Work which people can tell at a glance is neat.

The Herald Job Room

Sets the Standard.

Chas. T. Johnston

On this Friday we will offer many Special Bargains in Winter Dry Goods and in Underwear and Blankets, etc., to reduce stock. On Cloaks and Millinery we will save you about half, as we are selling them at about half the usual price. Some good values in Groceries also offered.

MILLINERY SALES.

We have too many Trimmed Hats that we must sell regardless of cost or value. We cut the price of them just in two. Ladies' \$2 hats reduced to \$1. Ladies' \$2.50 hats reduced to \$1.25. Ladies' \$3 hats reduced to \$1.50. Ladies' \$3.50 hats reduced to \$1.75. Ladies' \$4 hats reduced to \$2.00. Ladies' \$4.50 hats reduced to \$2.25. Children's Felt Hats, 50c kind reduced to 35c. \$1.50 Street hats reduced to 75c.

CLOAKS.

Our Cloak stock must be reduced and to do the work quickly we will show you how we will do it.

CHILDREN'S JACKETS.

\$2.50 and \$2 children's Jackets, ages 6 to 10, in our sale at \$1 each. \$3.50 and \$4 children's box back buttoned coats, ages 6 to 12, in our great reduction sale, at \$3.95 each.

LADIES' COATS.

\$10 and \$20 Ladies tan and black fitted Jackets, all silk lined, reduced to \$5. \$12.50, \$15 and \$17.50 Ladies' finest Monte Carlo Jackets, all finest satin lined, as long as they are with us, at \$10.95 each.

INFANTS' COATS.

\$1.25 Eldredown Coats, ages 3 and 4 years, reduced to 95c. \$1.75 Eldredown Coats, ages 4 years, reduced to \$1.25. \$2.50 Eldredown Coats, ages 3 and 4 years, reduced to \$1.95. \$3 all wool Cloth Coats, for ages 4 and 5, reduced to \$1.50. \$3 all wool Cloth Coats, for ages 3, 4 and 5, reduced to \$2.45.

DRESS SKIRTS.

\$6.00 and \$8.50 fine dress skirts, of cheviot and Venetian cloth, reduced to \$4.45 each. \$3.95, \$3.75 and \$3.50 fine cloth dress skirts, nicely trimmed, reduced to \$2.95 each. \$2.50 and \$3, Walking skirts in gray and cloth, reduced to \$1.95.

CALICO.

2,000 yards of good full standard 5c prints in blacks, grays, reds and blues. As long as they last at 4c a yard. Only one dress pattern of 10 or 12 yards to a customer.

BLANKETS.

Our Blanket stock (mostly all wool goods) entirely too large. We must sell them out quickly. \$5.00 and \$5.50 finest all Wool blankets, 10-4 size, in white and gray mixed; have been fine sellers all season, but we have too many of them on hand, so we will reduce choice of them to \$3.49. It will pay you to borrow the money and carry them to next winter. \$6.00, \$6.50 and \$7.00 finest all wool 11-4 blankets in white and gray mixed, lovely goods, reduced to \$3.95 per pair. 75c quality of heavy Tan Fleece Blankets, 10-4 size, reduced to 49c a pair as long as they last.

COMFORTS.

\$1.25 quality in fine silkoline covered cotton filled Bed Comforts, this week reduced to 98c. \$2.00 quality of finer silkoline covered comforts reduced to \$1.39.

KNIT UNDERWEAR.

Men's 50c heavy Fleece Underwear, reduced to 39c a garment. Boys' 35c heavy Fleece Underwear reduced to 19c a garment. Men's 35c gray mixed Underwear, reduced to 19c a garment. Ladies' heavy Fleece Underwear, 25c and 30c kind, reduced to 19c a garment.

CHILDREN'S 25c and 30c Fleece Shirts and Drawers, odd sizes, reduced to 19c a garment.

GINGHAMS.

2,000 yards of good Apron Check, 7c Gingham, as long as we have it, at 5c a yard. 12 1-2c quality Yellow Gingham reduced to 7 1-2c a yard. 12 1-2c quality Yellow Gingham reduced to 7 1-2c a yard.

FLANNEL SKIRT PATTERNS.

50c Flannel skirt patterns for 35c. The Flannel skirt pattern for 50c. \$1.00 Flannel Skirt Patterns for 75c.

FLANNELLE NIGHT DRESSES.

75c Flannellet Night Dresses, reduced to 59c. \$1.25 fine pink and blue Flannellet Night Dresses reduced to 95c.

MEN'S NIGHT SHIRTS.

60c kind reduced to 39c. 75c kind reduced to 59c. \$1 kind reduced to 79c.

GROCERIES.

Our Grocery store is at 138 Merchant street.

ON THIS FRIDAY WE WILL SELL:

Ten pounds of best fine Granulated Sugar for 50c, sold or delivered only with other goods purchased.

8 bars of Lenox Soap for 25c
5 pounds White Beans for 25c
5 pounds Rice for 25c
9 pounds of hominy for 25c

Royal or Price's Baking Powder, per pound 45c
One dozen boxes Matches for 10c
Sack of fine Table salt for 40c
Horse Shoe or Star Tobacco per pound 45c

Good three-sewed broom for 15c
Three pounds Prunes, fine quality, 25c
500 pounds of good dry popcorn at per pound 30c

Lemons, per dozen 20c
Good Oranges at per dozen, 25c and 25c
Helen's Apple Butter, finest make, at three pound jar 35c

Pure old-fashioned Buckwheat at six pounds for 25c
15c Scrub brushes at 10c
Three cans Lewis' Lye for 25c

Four gallons of good Cucumber Pickles large size, worth 15c dozen at 50c
10c Lamp Chimneys reduced to 50c
Rising Sun Stove Polish, 10c size for 50c

25c quality Wash boards at 19c
Pint Jars of Mustard ready for use, at 10c
Cleaned Currants, 12 1-2c kind, at per package 9c

Three packages of good Mince Meat for 25c
Two pound cans of Tomatoes two for 25c
10c can for peeled Pie Peaches, worth 15c

25c quality California Canned Apples at 19c
25c quality California Canned Apples at 19c
10c for three boxes of best Searchlight Matches.

10c pound for splendid Mixed Candy, worth 15c
15c per pound for Coffee worth 20c.
25c for a Mocha and Java Coffee worth 30c.
30c for Mocha and Java Coffee worth 35c.

We give tickets with purchases of Dry Goods and Groceries and by saving them you can get fine China, Cut Glass and Kitchenware with them.

CHAS. T. JOHNSTON.

Fashion's Fancies

By...
KATE
CLYDE.

I AM lost in admiration over the evening wraps and furs this winter. I don't think they have ever before been so artistic and free from unbecoming, stiff lines. Most of the smart ones I have seen have been black or white. The day of the colored evening wrap seems to be over.

The favorite length is the three-quarter and the shape the loose sack, with a contrasting collar. Ermine coats with long stoles of sable and lining of white satin are perhaps the most popular. Certainly white fur in the evening seems to be almost uni-

acquaintance who was not too well off in the world. She equipped the little mite from top to toe in a wonderful pale gray coat, a big white picture hat, a tippet and muff of chinchilla and even tiny white kid gloves. These last fairly drove the small tot crazy. She kept showing them rapturously and announcing each time gravely, "Them gloves is not to shake hands with!" to the delight of every one.

Finally she was taken into a toyshop and allowed to wander about at her own sweet will. She simply knelt in rapture, embracing as many of the

man thinks, he needs nowadays in the way of education is the ability to sign his own name correctly to a check!

I understand, though, that a certain up to date publishing house is issuing a tiny dictionary in a silver case provided with a powerful magnifying glass. The whole thing is a little over an inch square, so that it may be carried in the pocket with a pipe and a few other things.

At a dinner recently I was very much pleased with a certain entrée, and as it was easy of preparation I thought I would remember it and tell you about it. First, you take the bottom section of a French artichoke, which has, of course, been cooked, and over this you



Playing Lady Bountiful.

place a layer of cauliflower and mushrooms, also cooked. You shape the whole into a little mound, which you cover with white sauce dotted with little capers. Serve one to each guest.

At the same dinner the desert was served in baskets made from the unbroken skins of oranges. In these was placed a mixture of whipped cream filled with chopped candied fruits and nuts.

The salad was of curly lettuce and quartered oranges with French dressing and the sweetbreads were served piping hot on toast with large mushrooms in their own juice in individual plates with glass covers.

New York.

INTRODUCTIONS.

The unvarying rule in making an introduction is that the gentleman should be presented to the lady. This is a privilege of sex, and disregarding it shows at once a want of social knowledge.

When the introduction has been made, it is usual for the lady and gentleman or the two ladies to bow and to make some little remark.

It is not usual to shake hands, but there are many occasions when this would be quite correct. For instance, it is always right to shake hands with every new acquaintance in one's own house, and if one were to introduce two of one's intimate friends one would naturally expect them to shake hands. It is the privilege of a lady to be the first to offer to shake hands when a gentleman is introduced to her.

A polite lady when calling never rises from her chair when another visitor whom she does not know is announced. If you know her, rise and come forward to speak to her as soon as your hostess has done so.

If the host happens to come into the room when afternoon tea is going on, ladies do not rise to shake hands. He comes forward and shakes hands with them while they are still sitting.

Don't make a tour round the room when leaving to shake hands with all the people you know. Do so with the host and hostess and bow to any other friends.

The hostess rises to receive her visitors as they arrive unless she happens to be an old lady. She also rises to shake hands with the departing lady visitors. In the case of a gentleman she may pay the compliment or not, as she thinks best.

A friend staying in the house should always be introduced to any visitor who may call.

Many girls are looked upon as the "ugly ducklings" of a family simply because they lack the little wholesome spice of vanity they need to make them care how they dress and look. Never was there a greater mistake.

Margaret Bottome And Her Work...

By ESTHER Z. CULLEN

ONE of the noteworthy features of our time is the power and influence of white haired women.

This is the era of white haired women. In fashionable society, in industrial, educational and literary life, more than all, perhaps, in religious work, from her of the silvered locks radiates a magnetic halo that draws and holds those who come within it. This



MRS. MARGARET BOTTOME.

is especially true if with the whitened hair go a young, enthusiastic heart and an agreeable face.

The month of January each year recalls to at least half a million persons the work of one of these white haired women of the noble sort. This January

seventeen years ago nine ladies sat in the parlor of a house in New York city and formally organized a society for helpful work among the human family.

male and female, white, black, brown, yellow and red. For years the white haired lady at whose house the meeting was held had been trying to interest her own sex in the humane work that professed religious people owe to the world.

She herself had wrought with voice, brain and hand. Now she went personally among the needy and the wretched and carried them aid or consolation. Now she wrote eloquently of the duty mankind forgets in the strife of commercialism, the duty of looking around every day and seeing if there is not some help in some shape or form that each can give to another.

Now she assembled in her own home or met in others' homes women to whom she preached moving lay sermons on the same lofty theme.

day, white haired, handsome Mrs. Margaret Bottome, and he had said to her: "I am surprised that you do not form a sisterhood."

At the meeting of the nine ladies at Mrs. Bottome's that January day the sisterhood was formed. They called it, after some deliberation, the Order of the King's Daughters because "the King's Daughter is all glorious within."

The following motto was borrowed from that of Dr. Hale's favorite organization, Lend a Hand:

Look up, not down;
Look forward, not back;
Look out, not in;
And lend a hand.

The infant organization of the King's Daughters, whose Mrs. Bottome for president that January, was seventeen years ago. She has been its president ever since. Women young and old were attracted to it at once. A badge was presently chosen for the members, a plain silver cross, with the initials I. H. N.—In His Name—engraved thereon. This was fastened by a ribbon of purple, the royal color, befitting the daughter of a king. The object of the order was, through good deeds and prayer and patience, the development of a truly religious character without regard to creed.

A woman of no theological creed at all could enter into the spirit of the King's Daughters and with them work for the development of a pure, sweet, strong character within herself and the outflow of this character in deeds of helpfulness toward others. That is the keynote of the song of the King's Daughters.

Circles were organized here and there in various places as women and girls heard of the new society formed by the white haired woman and her aids in New York. The noble seal for lending a hand kindled so widely and rapidly that soon men, too, wished to join the order. Accordingly, an organization of King's Sons was formed, with the same badge and pledge. Then the fire spread to other lands, far and near, to every country of Europe, to South America, to Asia. A consignment of the purple ribboned silver crosses went by and by to Korea. An international organization was formed, and Mrs. Margaret Bottome, the eloquent woman, was made president of that too. Its name is the International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons.

What is their special work? Beginning with infinitesimal things in one's own family, it extends to educating a young woman for a medical missionary to foreign lands. The King's Daughters and Sons lend a friend \$5, pay a church debt or take care of motherless children, as occasion demands. Whatever may be done in the name of human brotherhood, that they are there to do. The society is warming and melting to the heart in this hard, metallic age.

The International Order of the King's Daughters and Sons numbers nearly or quite half a million members. Its founder, Mrs. Bottome, is seventy-five years old now, but no frailties of age or weakness have touched her. She is tall, queenly and magnetic as ever. Her voice is still strong as when, thirty years ago, she, like Susanna Wesley, gathered the women of her acquaintance together for prayer meetings and Bible talks. The meetings of Susanna Wesley resulted in the founding of the Methodist church. The Bible talks of Mrs. Bottome resulted in the founding of the Order of the King's Daughters and Sons.

Summering at Tarrytown, N. Y., a few years ago, Mrs. Bottome held at her home a series of informal religious meetings for all women who cared to attend. Like Anne Hutchinson in the days of the Puritans, she called her own sex together and sought to kindle in them the fire of spirituality that glowed in her own soul.

Her leading characteristics are these: First, a deeply religious nature; next, a love for women. She is a leader of women. Some fashionable society women summered also at Tarrytown that year. They were drawn to Mrs. Bottome's meetings in common with the plain domestic woman and the working girl. The same soul needs are in us all. The fashionable ladies became interested in the Bible talks. When they returned to the city in the winter, the most splendid homes there were opened to Mrs. Bottome, and she was invited to come to continue the story. Thus the undomestic woman evangelist entered the homes of the rich and preached her gospel of faith and love, absolute good will to all, absolute trust that if we do the best we know how to do, we shall mean at hand what we mean in heaven.

It is a doctrine as old as religion itself, yet it cannot be preached too often to an unbelieving world.

The silver cross with the purple ribbon has traveled everywhere. In every city of the Union it proclaims the mission of those who wear it—"to live to lighten the burdens of the heavy laden." Wherever it goes Margaret Bottome goes after it, busied with the

affairs of the King's Daughters and Sons. The Daughters came first in this instance, for they constituted the order ahead of the Sons. Mrs. Bottome goes frequently to Europe, and once she went as far as Palestine and wrote concerning her journey a book called "A Sunshine Trip to the Orient." She has written besides this books which deal with religious subjects. Theological problems offer no difficulties to her. She solves the mystery of the new birth concerning which men theologians have written tome after tome down through the centuries. Of the new birth Margaret Bottome says:

"It means simply the reawakening of the child nature within us in all its simplicity and trust and beauty."

MARY KATHERINE CLARKE.

GIRLS WITHOUT SENTIMENT.

Don't let any girl imagine that she can ever have personal charm if she lack sentiment or feeling. Without sentiment there is a fatal vein of the prosaic, the commonplace, which will keep her forever, no matter what her other gifts, from possessing or wielding the widest influence her sex can claim.

It is surprising the amount of good feeling toward any one a kind word here and there may produce. Even though a girl is rather unpopular, if she shows the right feeling and forethought toward her friends she will soon be found in the foremost ranks of the popular.

There are women who never have a love deeper than the love for their not poodle, who never know an enthusiasm more ardent than that inspired by a

The Benefits of Deep Breathing

THIS is not to be a tirade against tight lacing. Heaven forbid! I am only going to tell you what glorious life and physical grace and development are possible to the woman who does not crunch a twenty-eight inch waist into a twenty-inch corset. Then you may take your choice.

I will tell you a way to acquire such a figure that you need not stuff ketcherchiefs into the pouch of your shirt waist in front to give it the fashionable puff. In brief, you can accomplish almost miracles by the simple practice of slow, deep breathing. Do you know your lungs need for their full duty of purifying the blood thousands of gallons of air a day? It costs nothing to feed them their full quota. All one has to do is to give them room and utilize that diaphragm which women who lace can never use. Those who give instructions as to correct breathing seem to be as slow as tortoises. The other tells you don't on your life breathe with the lowest muscles of the body, but just breathe the air in with your lungs as nature meant. Both are right, both wrong. Just breathe with your lungs long, slowly and deeply till every air cell is full. That will inevitably lift the muscles from about the lower part of your body and thus give you an ob-

ject lesson on the way you should sit and stand.

Now make a trial breath. Shut your mouth. Inhale slowly through your nostrils all the air your lungs will hold. If during this process your ribs press against your clothing so that they cannot spread out to their fullest extent, the clothing is too tight. Anything that in the least obstructs the full expansion of the ribs is murderous. As you draw in the full, glorious breath you will notice how its elastic power raises all the muscles of the front of your body. Inhale slowly before a mirror and watch. Now for the second part—exhalation. Few persons know that the proper way to exhale is to let the breath out as slowly as you draw it in, but such is the fact. After you have filled your lungs with this ether of eternal life hold your breath for the briefest space, then let the breath flow deliberately and rhythmically out, taking the same length of time for this that you occupied in inhaling.

There you have in simple sentences and short the whole magic secret of right breathing. Cases of chronic catarrh are sometimes cured by persistent breathing in this manner. The habit, once formed, will stay by you, and in time this breathing will fill out any hollow chest, flatten any rounded shoulders and depress any protruding stomach and abdomen that ever afflicted a woman. Fashionable women resort to soap bubble and bugle blowing and other devices to make them breathe deeply, but just plain will and perseverance will do the thing. Frequently stretching the arms as far as possible up over the head with the fingers clasped is to be recommended. In connection with the deep breathing an excellent exercise—none better—is running upstairs as fast as you can. That gives you good wind and plenty of it. Physicians have been to blame for babying women in the matter of running upstairs. It strengthens back, legs and heart and gives splendid lung power. Deep, slow breathing and rapid stair and hill climbing will quickly explode the popular delusion of heart weakness among many. Alleged heart weakness is mostly laziness and lack of breathing.

Painted panels make a pretty wall decoration.

Be gentle and firm with children.

MARY GOULD LITTLE.



PALE BLUE ALBATROSS RECEPTION FROCK.

new bonnet, whose deepest emotions are caused by the misdeeds of the cook. But if these are scarcely the noblest of their sex neither can they be called the most rich in charm.

WOMEN OF HAVANA.

In Havana the women of the upper classes may be fitly compared to Solomon's lilies, for "they toil not, neither do they spin." At the bullfights, theaters and at balls and parties they are as gorgeous as the birds of the tropics, wearing gowns of barbaric splendor, glittering with jewels and brilliant in color. Even in the streets they are attired in costumes which few American people would consider suitable for a fancy dress ball.

Among the grande dames walking is almost entirely unknown, for they sit in their carriages to do their extensive shopping, the obliging storekeepers bringing out countless goods for their inspection and approval. Their education is defective, reading, writing, embroidery and a smattering of French and music being supposed sufficient for any woman to know. Household affairs are considered beneath their dignity.

Cheap Substitutes For Expensive Garments

THE becoming evening cape illustrated is made of white lace and chiffon mingled with marabout feathers and bands of black velvet. An old ball gown is the very thing to make into a dainty cape of this kind. The silk foundation slip lined it beautifully, while the chiffon, net or gauze of the dress forms the box plaited front from the neck and heads the lace ruff. A narrow band of fur may be used instead of the feathers, or black velvet ribbon would be very effective. One can always find an odd piece of lace or cambray to do duty for a flounce round the cape and to edge the long stole ends.

The neck piece, muff and toque of brown bear fur is exceedingly smart. When fur is found too expensive, vel-

veteen or the gray astrakhan cloth is a good substitute. Buy a pattern and fashion the three articles from the materials determined upon, using the fur tails as a trimming.

Pale blue albatross goes into the makeup of the attractive pale blue reception frock. Bands of silk trim the skirt, while the waist is ornamented with a deep lace collar and grape embroidery. This gown may be duplicated in blue voile, which at this time of the year is often picked up at a bargain. Look around for a lace collar marked down cheap. Never mind if the shape is not quite what you like; cut it up until it is exactly the right thing in the right place. Fasten it on the material, and you have a frock to be proud of.

MARIETTA STONE.



WHITE LACE AND CHIFFON CAPE.

strong, athletic and healthy instead of feeble and fainty.

Marle Catalini, last of the famous Serano Indian basket weavers of California, is now the fashion for women to be

the fact that it is a proof of other valuable qualities. He thinks the girl who is particular about her appearance and takes a pride in being tidy will not when she marries allow her home to be other than a model of neatness.

The woman who spends part of every

day outdoors exercising in the open air will be much handsomer and healthier than she who stoops over sewing, cat-stitching and embroidery in order to have fashionable clothing.

Her clothes ever so poor and shabby, the girl who abhors slovenly and

untidy habits will hide half their shabbiness by a careful application of needle and thread as well as by neat arrangement.

Painted panels make a pretty wall decoration.

Be gentle and firm with children.

FEMININE FACT, FASHION AND FANCY.

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